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 The periodic purges of the Rumanian Army appear to be directed chiefly at the high ranking officers. Some of them are retired with pensions and others are dismissed without benefit of stipend.

the following names among recent victims: Air Force Commander Gogu Stefanescu, Generals Dan Ionescu and Mihail Vasiliu, and Colonel Nicolaide. Dismissals appear to be particularly numerous in the Air Force. Commander Stefanescu, former technical counsellor at the IAR airplane factory in Stalin (Brasov). was arrested following his dismissal,

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Colonel Nicolaide was an opportunist who had previously acquired Soviet citizenship and had advanced to the post of Director of the Ministry of Armed Forces. Several other colonels have been dismissed, but a list of names has not been published.

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